

## Group Field Trips

Here is a listing of Kentucky State Parks and the field trip opportunities they offer. In addition to this list, all 17 state resort parks offer the Recreation, Environment and Cultural History education camps – called REACH. These overnight camps provide students a learning experience by participating in hands-on nature, history and outdoor recreation activities. Each of the resort parks have naturalists or recreation directors who can serve as resource people to develop activities that meet your learning guidelines within the Program of Studies and core content. These trained professionals have extensive knowledge of the natural, cultural and historical significance of their parks and region. For more information, contact the chief naturalist for the Kentucky State Parks at 502-564-2172 or view [REACH Handbook](#). Most REACH programs occur during the school year and we require 20 or more participants.

Information about all state parks is available at [www.parks.ky.gov](http://www.parks.ky.gov). Download pdf printable copy of this page click [here](#).

### **Barren River Lake State Resort Park**

**1149 State Park Road  
Lucas, Ky. 42156**

Barren River Lake State Resort Park offers history programs about the prairies once located in “The Barrens”, nature hikes, environmental education programs that meet the Kentucky Core Content requirements, and recreational field days for grades K-12. We also offer orienteering classes for grades 4-12 and archery for ages 8 and up. The park is open year-round and classes can visit any weekday between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Fees range from \$3 to \$8 per student. Call Naturalist and Certified Environmental Educator Lisa Deavers at 270-646-2151 or 1-800-325-0057 for more information.

### **Big Bone Lick State Park**

**3380 Beaver Road  
Union, Ky. 41091**

Big Bone Lick State Park offers a wide variety of programs dealing with pioneers, environmental education, history, Native Americans, fossils and nature hikes in the Northern Kentucky region for grades K-12. We also offer Prehistoric survival skill classes and demonstrations at the park. Big Bone Lick is open year-round so schools or other community groups can visit any day of the week by appointment. Fees for programs are \$3.00 per person. A program guide detailing all our programs is available by emailing the park naturalist, Todd Young, at [todd.young@ky.gov](mailto:todd.young@ky.gov) or call (859)384-3522 for more information.

### **Blue Licks Battlefield State Resort Park**

**10299 Maysville Rd.  
Carlisle, Ky. 40311**

Blue Licks Battlefield offers nature hikes, history programs about pioneer life in Kentucky, and tours of Kentucky's only Revolutionary War battlefield for grades K-12. We also offer geology programs and canoeing for grades 6-12. Tours of a reconstructed pioneer fort are available. We provide tent camping in our overflow area for children's groups (schools, scouts, etc.) at a cost of \$2 per person. The park is open any day of the week by appointment. Activity fees range from \$3 per student and up, call Naturalist Paul Tierney at 859-289-5507 or email [ptierney@gx.net](mailto:ptierney@gx.net) for activity information. For booking information contact Sue Lynch at 800-443-7008 or email [sue.lynch@ky.gov](mailto:sue.lynch@ky.gov)

### **Buckhorn Lake State Resort Park**

**4441 KY Highway 1833  
Buckhorn, Ky. 41721**

Buckhorn Lake State Resort Park offers a variety of nature activities. We have two hiking trails - one is an interpretative trail -- along with sessions on birds of prey emphasis on owls, song birds and their singing calls, mammals of the area (deer, elk, and bats), the effects of strip mining, water cycle, water shed, orienteering (grades 4-12) and outdoor survival skills (grades 4-12). Other topics that can be covered include Kentucky history (famous Kentuckians, history of the area, and state park history), team building, Kentucky crafts (basket making and corn husk dolls), and dancing (folk, square and line dancing). Cost is \$3 or more per student, depending upon the program and number of students. Other programs are available with advance notice. Call 1-800-325-0058 for information.

### **Carter Caves State Resort Park**

**344 Caveland Drive  
Olive Hill Ky., 41164**

Carter Caves State Resort Park offers commercial cave tours, nature hikes, living history programs and various nature programs for grades K-12. We also offer archery and orienteering programs for grades 5-12. You can book a canoe trip for grades 7-12. Fees range from \$3 to \$15 per student for the programs. The park is open year-round and classes can visit any weekday from Labor Day to Memorial Day. For those wanting an extended stay we offer overnight Reach Camps at our park that packages program, meals and lodging into one reasonable price. Call the Recreation Department at 1-800-325-0059 for information.

### **Columbus-Belmont State Park**

**350 Park Road  
Columbus, Ky. 42032**

Columbus-Belmont State Park is a 156-acre site that played a fascinating role in the War Between the States. This is the site of a fortification built by the Confederates and later occupied by Union forces. The 1861 Battle of Belmont, fought to overtake the Confederate stronghold here, marked the opening of the Union's Western Campaign. It was also Union General Ulysses S. Grant's first active engagement in the Civil War. Some of the artillery, which shelled the Union troops, and the six-ton anchor that held the great chain stretching across the river, are on display in the park. There is a 2.5-mile self-guided hiking trail in the Park. Dramatic images of the Civil War come to mind when walking on the bluffs and massive earthen works that formed the Confederate trenches. Students of all ages can learn about the area and the Civil War in the Civil War Museum. The park has a snack bar, gift shop, miniature golf, a picnic area and playground with shelters that are available for rental up to one year in advance. The museum is open weekends during April and October; daily May through September and open by appointment throughout the year. The fee is \$1 per student. The gift shop, snack bar, and mini golf are open daily May through Labor Day and weekends in September. Don't forget that the second weekend in October is the date for our annual "Civil War Days" event. We have education day on Friday with special rate and activities for students. Call 270-677-2327 for information.

### **Constitution Square State Historic Site**

**134 South Second Street  
Danville, Ky. 40422**

Constitution Square commemorates a most important series of events in Kentucky's history: the 10 constitutional conventions which led to statehood. On June 1, 1792, Kentucky became the 15<sup>th</sup> state in the union. Isaac Shelby was named the first governor of the Commonwealth. Visit original buildings like Grayson's Tavern, Fisher's Row Houses, Goldsmith House and the first post office west of the Alleghenies along with replicas of the jail, courthouse and meeting house.

A history scavenger hunt is conducted for field trips and classes can visit any weekday by appointment only. This is an outside activity and students work in groups of two or three which incorporates cooperative learning and includes creative writing and thinking exercises for grades k-8. Allow one hour for this activity. Group rate for 10 or more is \$1.50 per student. Teachers, chaperones and bus drivers are free.

A self-guided tour is available at no charge. Tours must be scheduled in advance. An educational brochure is available. Geared for all ages. The grounds are open all year. The historic buildings and gift shop is closed January through February, open Thursday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in March and open Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. April through December. Call Jack Bailey at 859-239-7089 for information.

### **Cumberland Falls State Resort Park**

**7351 Hwy 90  
Corbin, Ky. 40701**

Cumberland Falls is the "Niagara of the South" and home to a unique natural phenomenon called a Moonbow. Most education programs focus on geology, native plants and wildlife. Programs on outdoors skills such as canoeing, archery, astronomy, Leave no Trace and others are available for smaller groups. Programs can be tailored to meet classroom needs. Park is open year around. Fees range from to \$2 to \$10 per student. Overnight programs are available. Contact our Group Sales Department regarding our REACH Program. To schedule a day trip, call park naturalists Steve Gilbert or Bret Smitley at 1-800-325-0063.

**Dale Hollow Lake State Resort Park**  
**6371 State Park Road**  
**Burkesville, Ky. 42717**

Dale Hollow Lake State Resort Park offers environmental educational activities at your school or at the park. Topics include wildlife, bald eagles, orienteering, water safety, tree identification hikes, archery for ages 8 & up, Leave No Trace programs, and caving programs with tours through Cindy Cave. We can adapt any program to meet your needs. The park is open year round and classes can visit any day of the week by appointment. Programs at the park cost \$3 per student and up (depending on the program and number of students). For more information, call Jamie Avery at 1-800-325-2282.

**Dr. Thomas Walker State Historic Site**  
**4929 KY 459**  
**Barbourville, KY 40906-9603**

The Dr. Thomas Walker State Historic Site offers picnic tables, mini-golf, playground, basketball courts, horseshoe pits and shelters. The shelters can be reserved which will guarantee the use of it, but they also can be used free of charge if they are not reserved by someone else. The Mini-Golf does have a fee of \$2 per round with the exception of kids 6 years of age and under get to play for free. Everything else on the park can be used free of charge. The park is 5 miles out of town in a country setting and we have a total of 12 acres. The park is open year-round and classes can visit any weekday between 9 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. This park offers the history of Kentucky's first house, which the replica is on site. Dr. Thomas Walker arrived here in the year 1750, seventeen years before Daniel Boone. Gift Shop and Mini-Golf open April 1 through October 31. Park is open to visitors year-round. Call Park Manager Andy Teasley at 606-546-4400 for information.

**E.P. "Tom" Sawyer State Park**  
**3000 Freys Hill Road**  
**Louisville, KY 40241**

Are you looking for something different? We have special programming for school groups, corporate/ civic/ and private associations, and scouts. Let us help tailor nature hikes, hands-on science programs, archery parties, gym activities, arts and crafts, scavenger hunts, and teambuilding programs to meet the needs of your group.

Teachers, this is not your ordinary field trip! Our school programs are formatted to correspond with Kentucky core curriculum standards. Get the kids out of the classroom and let us take over the teaching. We have created programs that consist of science, history, and math for all age groups. Examples of these exciting programs include Backyard Buddies, In Cold Blood, Rock On!, Portrait of an Asylum, and many more. Impress your parents by adding programs like these to enhance your curriculum. E.P. "Tom" Sawyer State Park was voted 2008 "Outstanding Recreation Park of the Year" by Kentucky Recreation and Park Society. Come experience why! Contact the park for more information and pricing at (502) 429-7270.

One of Kentucky's premier recreation facilities, E.P. "Tom" Sawyer State Park, has something for everyone. Do you have an event planned, but need a location that will meet your needs? The park offers an award winning nature trail, a crushed limestone fitness loop, volleyball courts, an archery range, horseshoe pits, tennis courts, sports fields, and a seasonal Olympic-size swimming pool. Need a space for your outdoor gatherings; choose from three of our shelters. Don't forget about our Administration Building meeting rooms. Comfortable rooms for any small private meeting. Introducing the Sawyer-Hayes Center; our brand new facility that will open in spring of 2009. This facility is able to accommodate groups up to 250 people and includes a state of the art catering kitchen. To ensure usage of the above facilities, we recommend calling ahead for a reservation.

**Fort Boonesborough State Park**  
**4375 Boonesborough Road**  
**Richmond, KY 40475-9316**

At Fort Boonesborough, we seek to engage students in the daily lives of early settlers on the Kentucky frontier. Through presentations of the daily chores and life skills necessary for survival, interpreters in 18<sup>th</sup> century clothing assist students in learning about and understanding frontier life. During 2009, the park will be commemorating the 275<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Daniel Boone's birth.

Our interpretive programming provides opportunities for students to compare and contrast the lives of Kentucky's early settlers and their families to their own lives today. Students will make connections, and understand how their lives are related and connected to the people and places of Kentucky's past. The park also hosts special "school days" throughout the year at the Fort and at **Boone Station State Historic Site** in Fayette County as well. In November of each year, we present a week of intense, hands-on Living History programs, involving students physically as well as mentally in six stations where they are engaged for 20 minutes at each. The smell of wood smoke or a fresh split of cedar wood, the sounds of a spinning wheel, a loom, or the blacksmith's hammer, the texture of different tree barks, wool, linen, or leather, all help to bring the history to life today.

A new Teacher Resource CD is available at no charge to teachers when they schedule a field trip to the Fort. This includes a map and directions to the Fort, a guide for touring, pre- and post-visit suggestions, and a short list of Social Studies and other links to KDE Core Content For Assessment. There are also photos, video clips, and audio to present more detailed information about a field trip to Fort Boonesborough. Field trips may be scheduled for April 1 through October 31 by calling 859-527-3131 x216. Group rates for 10 or more are \$3 for students, with one teacher or chaperone free for every 20 students. Bus drivers are admitted free, and any additional adults in the group are \$4 each. Groups may also visit the Kentucky River Museum for an additional \$1 per person by scheduling with the museum staff.

In an effort to continue our mission as an educational resource for Kentucky schools, Fort Boonesborough State Park also has an **outreach program** designed to make frontier Kentucky Living History available on-site to schools.

The program allows for a variety of topics relative to the grade level, group size, location, indoor/outdoor, and other factors. Topics and activities will be concentrated on Frontier Kentucky in the 1760 - 1790 period. Dressed in clothing of the period, interpreters will discuss and demonstrate implements and skills necessary for daily living and survival on the frontier. Many of the activities will also present the opportunity for students to experience hands-on participation in the program. We seek to present material that is useful in relation to the Core Content for Assessment for several academic subjects. The program lasts approximately 2 hours. For more information call Fort Boonesborough at 859-527-3131 ext. 216 or email Bill Farmer at [ftboone@bellsouth.net](mailto:ftboone@bellsouth.net)

**General Butler State Resort Park**  
**1608 Highway 227**  
**Carrollton, Ky. 41008-0325**

General Butler State Resort Park is a fitting tribute to one of Kentucky's foremost military families. Named for General William Orlando Butler, the family's military fame spans from colonial time through the American Revolution, the War of 1812, the Mexican War and the Civil War. General Butler is a full-service resort, open year round. School activities can range from nature hikes, touring Butler-Turpin State Historic House, animal programs, to just having fun like playing a round of mini golf, or participating in teambuilding games. Fees range from \$3-\$5 per student. Call Tanya Supplee, Parks Program Service Supervisor weekdays from 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. at General Butler State Resort Park at 1-502-732-4384 for further information.

**General Butler State Resort Park**  
**Butler-Turpin State Historic House**

The Butler-Turpin State Historic House located at General Butler State Resort Park is steeped in military heritage of the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, the Mexican War and the Civil War. Students will understand a time post of historical periods as they engage in the core curriculum programming offered at this site. Along with the historic house and summer kitchen built in 1859, is the archaeology of the log house, the Butler Family Cemetery, the 1-mile history trail and the surrounding grounds that was once the Butler farm. Programming includes a tour of the historic house and history scavenger hunt; student archaeology (requires planning w/ reservation) other specialized programming K through 12 and a summer history camp.

Offered spring through fall is the program "Life At Two Rivers" which interprets 19<sup>th</sup> century life of the Ohio River Valley and the riverboat history of the region. The program begins as a period dressed guide describes the unique way of life at the confluence of the Kentucky and Ohio Rivers. While visiting the historic house the students will meet a farmhand delivering a surprise cargo that has arrived by riverboat. Students will engage in the hands-on experience of unloading the contents and interacting with a period reproduction collection that includes an ink pen w/ paper, books, games, clothing, household objects, photographs, dishes, fabric and notions, medicines and more. Call 502-732-4384 for reservation, fee, school packets and other details for all of the programs listed. Ask for the Historic House Museum Manager or [EvelynM.Welch@ky.gov](mailto:EvelynM.Welch@ky.gov).

#### **Greenbo Lake State Resort Park**

**965 Lodge Road  
Greenup, Ky. 41144**

Greenbo Lake State Resort Park offers a variety of field trip activities for all ages including a hayride around the park, nature hikes, boat rides (seasonal), a tour of the 19<sup>th</sup> century Iron Furnace and the One-Room Schoolhouse located at the park, and various nature programs tailored to your group. Some activities may include a fee. The park is open year-round; classes can visit on weekdays 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., call Recreation Supervisor Paul Verespy for information at 606-473-7324 or 1-800-325-0083.

#### **Jefferson Davis State Historic Site**

**258 Pembroke Fairview Road  
Fairview, Ky. 42221**

Jefferson Davis State Historic Site marks the birthplace of West Point graduate, U.S. Senator, Secretary of War and President of the Confederate States of America. A 351-foot tall obelisk marks this spot in Fairview. An interpretive museum outlines Davis' prominent career and tells the story of the Kentucky Orphan's Brigade. The museum is self-guided with a short DVD presentation on the park and monument. Guided elevator tours of the monument are available daily. Cost for the elevator ride and museum tour is \$4 for adults and \$2.50 for children 12 and under. Contact the park for special field trip rates. Open May 1 to October 31, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. CST daily. Call 270-889-6100.

#### **Jenny Wiley State Resort Park**

**75 Theatre Court  
Prestonsburg, Ky. 41640**

Jenny Wiley State Resort Park offers a variety of activities for young and the young at heart. We have many nature activities that will allow you to learn about snakes, birds of prey, elk, mammals, salamanders, and frogs. We also provide many recreational activities and arts and crafts. Jenny Wiley State Resort Park offers 13.5 miles of trails with different levels of difficulty that would allow for a bird walk, wildflower walk, or tree identification walk. All activities offered are for K-12. If you would like more information on all the activities we have to offer, please contact the Park Naturalist Trinity Shepherd at 606-889-1790 or 1-800-325-0142 or email at [tshepherd@suddenlinkmail.com](mailto:tshepherd@suddenlinkmail.com).

#### **John James Audubon State Park**

**3100 U.S. Highway 41 North  
Henderson, Ky. 42419**

John James Audubon State Park offers a wide variety of programs designed to meet the core curriculum requirements for your classroom. We offer a unique variety of art and nature programs for schools and groups. Our classroom extends to the surrounding woodlands as we interpret nature and art using the background theme of America's premier artist and naturalist, John James Audubon. Special programs may include art reviews, teacher workshops, outreach programs and a low-ropes challenge course (contact staff for challenge course fee). Special museum tours are geared to the interest and age of the group. Picnic shelters and playgrounds are available for lunch breaks. The museum is open daily from March through November and Wednesday-Sunday from December through February. Program fees range from \$2- \$5 per person. For more information and scheduling, contact our education staff at 270-827-1893.

#### **Kenlake State Resort Park**

**542 Kenlake Road**

#### **Hardin, Ky. 42048**

Kenlake State Resort Park offers a Field Day package for area schools grades K-5. Package includes lunch, a morning "instructional" program and an afternoon "recreational" program. All programs are chosen, led, and directed by experienced recreational programmers. Trips available in spring from March 15 through May 15<sup>th</sup>; and in the fall/winter season on a limited basis. Field trips can be taken Monday through Friday. Choice of the following meal at \$5 per student (tip included): grilled cheese, hamburger, mini-corn dogs, or chicken nuggets (all meals include french fries, drink, and pudding). Please include tax-exempt number. For information, call 1-800-325-0143.

#### **Kentucky Dam Village State Resort Park**

**166 Upper Village Drive  
Gilbertsville, Ky. 42044**

Kentucky Dam Village State Resort Park offers a Field Day package with nature and teambuilding based activities from March 15 – May 15, for grades K-12. Our Recreation staff leads various activities including teambuilding, fishing, orienteering, park hikes, scavenger hunts, and environmental education activities. Package includes lunch, a morning "instructional" program and an afternoon "recreational" program. All programs are chosen, led, and directed by an experienced recreational programmer. Trips available in spring from March 15 through May 15<sup>th</sup>. Program fees range from FREE to \$5 per student. Please include tax-exempt number. Call Anthony Lawrence at 270-362-4271 or 1-800-325-0146 for more information.

#### **Lake Barkley State Resort Park**

**3500 State Park Road  
Cadiz, Ky. 42211**

Lake Barkley offers year-round programs for school groups, through REACH packages (Labor Day to Memorial Day) or individually arranged visits. Our park naturalist and recreation staff can provide interdisciplinary, core content-based activities for multiple learning styles and across the curriculum! Stream strolls, owl prowling, teambuilding, archery, fishing, orienteering, nature hikes, scavenger hunts, historical tours, environmental education activities...the list is exhaustive! - call us; we'll suit your educational needs!

Our naturalist holds a Masters in Education and is a Kentucky certified environmental educator; our recreation assistant holds a degree in middle school education. Fees per student vary per activity. Call Naturalist Jenny Howard or Recreation Assistant Nick Edmonds at 800-325-1708 for information.

#### **Lake Cumberland State Resort Park**

**5465 State Park Road  
Jamestown, Ky. 42629**

Lake Cumberland State Resort Park offers archery lessons, Daisy air gun marksmanship shooting, Wolf Creek Dam fish hatchery trip, guided nature walks, and a bird walk for K-12 students. Fees range from \$1 to \$3 per student. Call Robert Myers at 1-800-325-1709 for more information.

#### **Levi Jackson State Park**

**998 Levi Jackson Mill Road  
London, Ky. 40744**

Levi Jackson State Park marks part of the Wilderness Road that brought 200,000 pioneers through Kentucky between 1774 and 1796. Visitors can retrace the footsteps of the early pioneers on hiking trails that include original portions of these historic throughways. The Mountain Life Museum, open April 1-Oct. 31, has relics and tools from pioneer life, including a wagon. Tours by guides dressed in period clothing are available. Fee is \$2.50 per child. A shelter is available for lunch. Mini-golf is also offered for \$2 each for groups of 50 or more. For information, call 606-330-2130.

#### **Lincoln Homestead State Park**

**5079 Lincoln Park Rd.  
Springfield, Ky. 40069**



The same spirit of adventure that brought other pioneers to Kentucky led Abraham Lincoln's grandparents to the knolls of Kentucky near the Beech Fork River. Lincoln Homestead State Park features the original home of Lincoln's mother, as well as replicas of the 1782 cabin and blacksmith shop where his father was reared and learned his trade. The president's parents were married here. You'll also find the home of Mordecai Lincoln, the favorite uncle of the President, along with split-rail fences and pioneer furniture that portray the rugged pioneer life. Price is \$1.50 per student. Lincoln Homestead also has a shelter house and playground within walking distance of the cabins.

Lincoln Homestead will be participating in the National Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Celebration 2008 - 2010. The Mordecai Lincoln House was renovated in 2008. The hours of operation are 10 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. The Museum area is closed from Nov 1<sup>st</sup> thru April 30<sup>th</sup>. Tours can also be arranged anytime. Contact Bobby Bartholomai at 859-336-7461 to arrange a time to bring your class out.

### **My Old Kentucky Home State Park**

**501 E. Stephen Foster Ave.  
Bardstown, Ky. 40004**

My Old Kentucky Home State Park offers guided tours of the most famous home in Kentucky -- Federal Hill - better known around the world as My Old Kentucky Home. A field trip allows students to step back in time to the 1850's when Stephen Foster visited and penned the state song "My Old Kentucky Home Goodnight." Docents dressed in period attire give guided tours of the museum sharing information about the home, the family that lived there and about the famous composer Stephen Collins Foster. The park also has a gift shop, picnic area and playground. An outdoor drama based on Stephen Foster's life is performed June-August. School tours are \$3 for students with one free adult for every 10 students. Additional adults are \$5 and the bus driver is free. Tour times are seven days a week from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. or by appointment. Museum is closed Monday and Tuesday in January-February; open for groups with appointments. Please call (502) 348-3502.

### **Natural Bridge State Resort Park**

**2135 Natural Bridge Road  
Slade, Ky. 40376**

Natural Bridge State Resort Park offers a variety of guided group hikes that will certainly capture the interest of students and teachers alike. Our most popular hike is the Guided Hike to Kentucky's Natural Bridge, which covers many topics such as history, geology, plants, and animals. Other popular programs include: Reptiles and Amphibians, Kentucky Creatures, the Beginner's Cave Walk, and Paddling on Mill Creek Lake. The rugged sandstone cliffs and the plant and animal diversity at the park will leave lasting memories and a valuable natural experience for students. Fees range from \$3 to \$10 per participant. Call Park Naturalist Brian Gasdorf at 606-663-2214 for more information, or email [brian.gasdorf@ky.gov](mailto:brian.gasdorf@ky.gov)

### **Old Fort Harrod State Park**

**100 South College St.  
Harrodsburg, Ky. 40330**

The year 1774 comes to life as you enjoy a living history experience presented in historic Harrodsburg - Kentucky's first permanent settlement. Interact and get hands-on experience with costumed interpreters performing frontier tasks such as blacksmithing, weaving, broom making, woodworking, tin smithing, spinning, and doll making. Enjoy the animal corral and visit Kentucky's first schoolhouse, where students sat on wooden benches and used hornbooks for lessons.

Tour the oldest cemetery in the state. The Lincoln Marriage Temple is something you will not want to miss; this temple houses the log cabin in which the parents of President Abraham Lincoln were married. Visit the Mansion Museum, home to a fine collection of Civil War displays, Lincoln memorabilia, Native American artifacts, frontier paintings, historic documents, McIntosh gun collection, music collection and much more. We also have a large picnic and playground area.

Old Fort Harrod State Park schedules school field trips year-round. Interpreters dressed in period correct clothing are at the park from April 16 through October 31. The museum and gift shop are open from April 1 through Oct. 31. Admission to Old Fort Harrod State Park and the Mansion Museum is \$3 per student and \$4 for adults in groups of 20 or more - and school personnel and bus drivers are admitted free. The fort also offers the play "The Journey to Kentucky," a production about Kentucky history, from April 16-May 22, 2009. Tickets are \$7 a person. Reservations may be made via our Web site or by calling 859/734-9614 or 859/734-3314, Monday through Friday. When you call, please have your preferred date(s), the number of students participating and your school's name and address ready.

**Old Mulkey Meetinghouse State Historic Site**  
38 Old Mulkey Park Road  
Tompkinsville, KY 42167

Old Mulkey Meetinghouse State Historic Site can provide a variety of educational programs for students K-12. Trees, leaves and fence posts will take on a whole new look as they are used to measure circumference, study ascending and descending order or count by two's! Recreational programs are designed to compliment heritage pastimes such as shooting a slingshot or jumping rope. The park is open April 1st-Nov. 30th and special programs can be scheduled for weekdays between 9 a.m. and closing. Fees vary dependent upon program. Call Sheila Rush at 270-487-8481 for more information.

**Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park**  
42071 Pennyrile Lodge Rd.  
Dawson Springs, Ky. 42408

Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park offers nature hikes, animal programs, fishing programs, pedal boat cruises, mini-golf tournaments, and arts and crafts for grades k-12. We will also work with you to create a program to fit your needs. The park is open year-round and classes can visit any weekday between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Fees range from \$2 to \$4 per student. The park naturalist is also available to do outreach at your school for \$40 per program or \$110 per day. Call Naturalist Rebecca Clark at 1-800-325-1711 for information, or email [rebecca.clark@ky.gov](mailto:rebecca.clark@ky.gov).

**Perryville Battlefield State Historic Site**  
1825 Battlefield Road  
Perryville, Ky. 40468

Perryville is the site of the bloodiest Civil War battle on Kentucky soil. More than 7,000 soldiers were killed, wounded or missing. The park offers an award-winning educational program called the School of the Soldier program. Elementary school students can learn what it was like to serve as a soldier who fought in 1862 at Perryville. It lasts 4 hours and costs \$4 per student. The park has Civil War monuments, picnic areas, a playground, small museum and gift shop. For more information, call Joni House at 859-332-8631.

**Pine Mountain State Resort Park**  
1050 State Park Road  
Pineville, Ky. 40977

Pine Mountain State Resort Park offers guided group hikes for grades 4-12 along park trails that are sure to provide many memorable personal experiences in the outdoors. Whether your interest is wilderness history, mountain geology, plant biology, forest ecosystems, wildlife/habitat, or preservation/conservation, Pine Mountain can provide the quality programs you seek. Such planned outings enhance student learning and encourage the appreciation of Kentucky's celebrated wilderness areas. The fee is \$3 per student. Contact the park's naturalist, Dean Henson, well in advance to confirm date and interpreter availability at 1-800-325-1712 or 606-337-3066. When you call, be sure to request a copy of our "Field Trip Hints" brochure that outlines useful information for planning a visit to the park.

**Rough River Dam State Resort Park**  
450 Lodge Road  
Falls of Rough, Ky. 40119

The Recreation Department at Rough River has many programs that can be tailored to fit your school group. We offer water safety programs, archery (grades 5-12), and environmental education activities. We can lead a guided hike on our interpretive Folklore Trail that includes an old cabin that was built by Kentucky pioneers (1 mile loop). Also on this trail we can do a tree identification lesson. Seasonally, we offer a boat tour on our "Lady of the Lake II" (seats 25-30) that covers the history/geological features of Rough River Lake. The Recreation Department will also assist with field days by providing games and entertainment. Program fees are generally \$3 per student but can vary. For more information contact Sheila Jones at 270-257-2311 or 1-800-325-1713.

**Waveland State Historic Site**  
225 Waveland Museum Lane



#### **Lexington, Ky. 40514**

Waveland State Historic Site offers tours of the mansion, and programs about antebellum life on a Kentucky plantation during the 1840s and 1850s for grades K-12. Waveland is open year round, and classes may visit weekdays between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Fees are \$3 per student. Call park manager Ron Bryant at 859-272-3611. (Note: Waveland is closed on Mondays between December and March.)

#### **White Hall State Historic Site 500 White Hall Shrine Road Richmond, Ky. 40475**

Visitors to White Hall State Historic Site will feel as if they have stepped back in time. A grand Victorian mansion is the dominating feature to this 13-acre park. White Hall offers interactive tours for grades K-12, where the students can experience the Victorian lifestyle and learn the exciting history of the Clay family as they take a tour guided by docents in historic dress. School groups can picnic under shade trees and view White Hall's rose, and flower gardens. White Hall offers a discounted rate of \$2.50 each for groups of 10 or more students. Call (859) 623-9178 for specific days and times.

#### **Wickliffe Mounds State Historic Site 94 Green Street, P.O. Box 155 Wickliffe, Ky. 42087**

The Wickliffe Mounds State Historic Site is an archaeological site and museum of a Native American village of the Mississippian culture, located along the Mississippi river. Students and teachers can explore the excavated mounds, exhibits of Mississippian culture and displays of artifacts dating back to 1100 A.D. Activity stations in the museum provide hands-on experiences for students. A Teacher's Packet with pre-visit activities, guide sheets and Core Content for Assessment relevant to a visit to Wickliffe Mounds is available for download from the website. Programs about Mississippian culture and the science of archaeology are available to small groups, suitable for grades K-12. Larger groups are welcome for tours year round. Picnic area, Gift Shop, an Archaeology trail, and WoodsWalk trail are options. Park is open March to November for school groups and teachers should call to schedule a time for their classes to visit. Fees range from \$2 to \$4 per student. November is Native American Heritage Month and in recognition all school group rates are \$1 per person (self-guided tours only) for the month of November. Call 270-335-3681 for information.

#### **William Whitley House State Historic Site 625 William Whitley Road Stanford, Ky. 40484**

William Whitley House State Historic Site is located in one of the original counties in our state -- Lincoln -- and is a must see for students. A guided tour of the historic home takes the students on a journey back to the lifestyle of our founding fathers. Information can be tailored for age appropriateness and classroom curriculum requirements. Student's minds will be challenged to compare and contrast life on the frontier compared to the life that they have grown up to know. Group rates are available. Weather permitting, tours are available by appointment during winter hours November thru April. Group rates are offered. The site has a large picnic shelter and spacious playground area. Several schools choose to bring students here as a rewards day for specific classroom accomplishments and end of school year field trips. Call 606-355-2881 for information.